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Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

Enclosed please find a Response to the Office Action dated June 12, 2002 and a check in the amount of \$920.00 for a three-month extension of time in connection with the above-identified application.

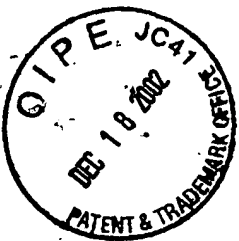
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Respectfully submitted,  
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AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION

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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed on June 12, 2002, Applicant offers the following amendment and response to office action, and requests reconsideration of the above-identified patent application. This response addresses every ground of rejection set forth in the Office Action.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification:

Please replace the specification as filed with the following specification that corrects typographical errors.